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SCHEDULE FOR STATE EXAMINATIONS

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ELEMENTARY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22:

8:00-9:00 Spelling

9:00-10:00 Arithmetic

11:00-12:00 Reading Circle

NOON

1:00-2:30 Grammar

2:30-4:00 Reading

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23:

8:00-9:00 Writing

9:00-10:00 Physiology

10:00-12:00 Geography

NOON

1:00-2:30 U. S. History

2:30-4:00 Tennessee History

Different groups of High School subjects will also be given.

W. J. Drinnon, Supt.

RECRUITING STATION U. S. ARMY, CUMBERLAND GAP, TENN.,

Enlistment in the Regular Army, beginning Nov. 1st 1916.

Is for seven years. Three years are in active service and four years in the reserve, but any man who is serving in an organization stationed in the continental United States may be furloughed to the reserve after one year of honorable service, if his immediate commanding officer shall report him as proficient and sufficiently trained. Any man who wishes with a view to qualifying for the reserve at the end of one year of service will be assigned to the reserve at an organization within the continental limits of the United States at the time of his assignment. In time of peace this will practically assure furlough to the reserve, if desired, at the expiration of one year's service to all men who have become proficient. This provision opens a way by which any young man may put in a year of honorable service in the Army, with a view to being prepared to serve his country in time of war. The physical training and discipline acquired will greatly increase efficiency in any civil pursuit. This year of training can be had without expense. The Government furnishes transportation to stations and return to place of acceptance for enlistment; good food, lodgings and medical attendance; clothing to start with amounting to \$48.05 and additional clothing during the year to the amount of \$24.80 in addition to all this the pay is from \$15.00 to \$99.00 per month.

For full particulars apply at Army Recruiting Office, Cumberland Gap, Tenn., or J. C. Maness Sneedville, Tenn.

APPOINTMENTS OF REV. LEVI MURRAY, Methodist Minister.

My Regular appointment for the following years 1916 and 1917.

1st. Sunday 10 o'clock a. m. Shiloh; 8 p. m. Beech Grove.

2nd. Sunday 10 a. m. Alder Ch. Sneedville at night.

3rd. Sunday 10 o'clock a. m. Mt. Pleasant; 8 p. m. Fair View. Liberty at night.

4th. Sunday 10 o'clock a. m. Union; 8 p. m. Corn Branch.

Levi Murray
Pastor of Sneedville & Thornhill Circuits.

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE BEGINS RAILWAY INQUIRY

Proposed by President to Better Condition of Carriers.

MAY CHANGE PRESENT SYSTEM

Officials of Roads Prepared to Advocate Federal Incorporation, Supervision of Securities and Extension of Authority of Interstate Commerce Commission.

Washington, Nov. 20.—Ten members of Congress, five Senators and five members of the House of Representatives, began here today an inquiry into the subject of public control and supervision of railroads that may lead to the reorganization of the whole scheme of governmental regulation of the country's transportation lines. Incidentally the committee is to look into the question of government ownership of railroads, telephone and telegraph lines and express companies.

The members of the committee which will conduct this important investigation are Senator Newlands of Nevada, chairman; Senators Robinson of Arkansas, Underwood of Alabama, Cummins of Iowa and Brandegee of Connecticut, and Representatives Alderman of Georgia, Stans of Tennessee, Cullip of Indiana, Esch of Wisconsin and Hamilton of Michigan. The inquiry was recommended by President Wilson in his message to Congress in December of last year. He described as its purpose to determine what could be done "for bettering the conditions under which the railroads are operated and for making them more useful servants of the country as a whole."

Prominent Men as Witnesses

In order to obtain the views of all interests affected by the operations of the transportation lines the committee has invited prominent shippers, bankers, representatives of commercial organizations, railway executives, economists and others to appear before them. The first to be heard are railroad commissioners of various states who began their evidence today. Their testimony is directed chiefly to opposing any enlargement of the federal authority over commerce that would detract from the powers law exercised by state bodies. They will be followed shortly by officials of railway labor organizations who are expected to register their opposition to the increase of governmental authority over wages and conditions of labor.

Chief interest in the hearings centers in the proposals that will be put forward by representatives of the railroads, for it is reported that they will advocate an extension of federal authority over rates and securities to the practical exclusion of state control of these matters. It is understood also that they will go on record in favor of federal incorporation of all railroad lines.

Legislative Program of Railroads

From an authoritative source it is obtained the following outline of the legislative program which the railroads will ask the committee to consider in its investigation: They will endeavor to demonstrate to the commission that one of the principal defects in the present system of railroad regulation is the lack of coordination resulting from the simultaneous and conflicting regulation by the federal government and by the 48 states. They will, therefore, ask that entire governmental control of the rates and practices of interstate carriers, except purely local matters, be placed in the hands of a federal body so that interstate traffic may be regulated without reference to state lines, leaving to the state commissions jurisdiction only over local matters and local public utilities. As a part of this plan, a compulsory system of federal incorporation is to be recommended, accompanied by federal supervision of railroad stock and bond issues.

A reorganization of the Interstate Commerce Commission will be asked in order to enable the commission properly to exercise its increased powers. It is also proposed that the preparation and prosecution of cases against the railroads shall be delegated to some other agency of the government, posed by the Department of Justice, so that the commission may devote its energies to its administrative functions.

With the commission thus relieved of some of its present duties and equipped to handle its business more promptly, the railroads will urge that the period during which the commission may now suspend proposed increases in rates be extended from five months to six days, with provision for suspension to be paid to the shippers if the rates are not raised within the specified period.

They also will urge that the commission be authorized to investigate and report on the operations of the railroads, which it is now prohibited from doing.

One of the most important recommendations for which the railroads will ask favorable consideration is that the commission be specifically authorized to take into account in rate regulation the effect of rates upon total earnings in the light of expenses.

While the Newlands Committee is required, under the resolution creating it, to submit a report by January 2 next, it is not anticipated that the Committee will have come anywhere near completing its labors then.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE NOVEMBER TERM OF CIRCUIT COURT.

Landon Bell, 7 cases, tipping; retired.

Hobert Davidson, Arms; retired. Monroe Moore, 2 cases arms and tipping; retired.

Lewis Ferguson, arms; retired. Lark Willis, 2 cases, P. D. & arms; not guilty.

Lewis Winstead, arms; transferred to Juvenile Court.

Irving Hopkins, P. D. retired. Wiley Jones, et. al. L & A submitted.

Dilla Collins, tipping; forfeiture.

Will Brewer, L & A retired.

James H. Davis, murder; ordered out for new trial.

Cleve Ratliff, murder; 10 to 20 years in penitentiary.

David Trent, and Lizzie Wilder felonious assault; guilty, verdict of Jury set aside.

Fred Earls, arms; not guilty. Robt. Odell, Larceny; 1 year in penitentiary.

W. R. Herrill, col., bigamy; not guilty.

Lewis Odell, P. D. Submitted fined \$10.00 and cost.

Everette Winkler, P. D. submitted cost.

Emery Johnson, P. D. submitted, \$10.00 & cost.

Amos Collins, P. D. submitted \$10.00 and cost.

Brownlow Johnson, arms; submitted, \$50.00 & cost.

David Trent, and Elizabeth Wilder, L & A guilty of an assault with intent to commit murder in second degree.

Robt. Kilgore, P. F. alias capias.

A. F. Centwell, tipping; alias capias.

Charlie Mole, P. D. continued.

Henry Johnson, tipping; alias capias.

Tip Calvin and Margaret Owens L & A in trial.

Frank Brewer, P. D. nol. on cost.

Joseph Cloud, P. D; 2 cases, nolle pros.

Irving Greene, true bill, capias.

Dowy Collins, nol. on cost.

C. J. Baker, continued.

Orve Campbell, continued.

A. J. Lawson P. D; continued.

A. J. Lawson, felony; nolle on cost.

Noah Raby, continued.

G. W. Buttry, submitted \$1.00 and cost.

Lewis Odell, U. S. L. & arms, \$50.00 and 90 days.

Emery Goodman, nolle on cost.

Dewey Collins, A & B; continued.

COMPROMISE

Every-body seems to be enjoying the fine weather.

Mr. Mooney, the contractor, seems to be getting along fine with his pike road building.

Rev. Wiley Cook filled his regular appointment at Compromise

Sunday. He was assisted in the funeral services by Rev. George Trent.

Mrs. John Lawson was found dead on bed last week. Her remains were interred in the old family graveyard near Shiloh.

Arley Gonco, Monroe Sumner, Geo. Jas., and Hendly Beggy, were guests of T. J. Vaughn, Sunday.

Willard Hill, of Rogersville, was shaking hands with his old friends here Sunday.

Orban Hill seems to have cornered the turkey market here this year.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Price, a daughter.

John Williams has been ill for some time is getting better.

Wiley Cook and George Trent, were the guests of William Boxer and family Sunday.

James Vaughn was seen riding in the same direction as usual Sunday evening.

Mrs. Carrie Drinnon is visiting home folks this week.

We hear that Mack Snodgrass, Hugh Testerman and Miss Ruth Darnell are running thing at Sneedville this year; wonder if they won't have company after Christmas.

Mrs. T. J. Vaughn, and Mrs. Vesta Snapp were visiting Mr. J. F. Trusley and family Tuesday.

With best wishes to the News. Jan Dec.

Dry Valley.

Henry Clement and Miss [unclear] were married last

Nov. W. T. Rose baptised Miss Beanie Hatfield at Cook School House last Sunday.

There was a cotton picking followed by a candy pulling at John Stapletons last Saturday.

The Rose School gave a Box Supper Friday.

Mr. General Coffey was seen on his way to see Miss Phyla Dalton, who is preparing to go to school at Tazewelle, Tenn.

Dry Valley School is holding up well and has a speaking every Friday.

Mr. Orlander Coffey is hauling his cross ties to the creek.

Mr. David Dalton is preparing to move to Tazewelle, Tenn., for the purpose of sending to school.

I will make my letter short this time and write again. Guess.

Maple Wood.

Every body seems to be enjoying themselves at this writing.

Mrs. Andrew Wilder is on the sick list this week.

Misses Birdie Cope and Maggie Brewer passed through frosty Hollow Sunday.

Dr. R. W. Drinnon who has been on the sick list for a few days is improving.

Misses Lillie and Zora Greene visited Misses Bess and Hattie Cope Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Greene and Mrs. T. A. Brewer visited Mrs. Andrew Wilder, Sunday evening.

Miss Jane Wilder's house was burned down Tuesday.

Ye scribes attended meeting at Cool Branch, last Sunday and listened to a two hour sermon by Rev. T. D. Smith

A revival meeting is expected to begin at Cool Branch, Dec. 10.

W. R. Trent of Oklahoma, why don't you write to the News?

Prof. C. O. Hopkins visited W. R. Greene Wednesday night. Two kids.

YARDY

The farmers of this section are busy gathering corn and getting in their winter wood.

Ed. A. Williams who has been on the sick list is reported better, hope he will soon be out again.

Neil Roberts went down the road today hunting for his opossum dog. Said he was going to roast potatoes and eat opossums for the next four years.

George Tucker said often was so high that surely horses would go up as he had bought one for \$1.50.

Father Warren was seen in Saake Hollow Sunday. He claimed to be looking for fur but I don't guess he was.

James A. Louthern and family of Mulberry Gap are aiming to leave for West Va., soon.

The people at Sulphur Springs are expecting a revival meeting to begin Saturday.

Went to [unclear] when Saturday comes and [unclear]. Everybody should subscribe for their home paper and help the Editor.

C. W. Mullens of Black Water is enlarging his store.

J. B. Collins and his mother have returned from Luttrell, Tenn., where they have been visiting their cousins.

As this is my first letter I will ring off and come again soon. Jay-bird.

INCREASE PROFITS OF DAIRY

If Poorer Half of Cows Were Sold Returns Would Be Doubled, Says Dairy Commissioners.

It seems like a strong statement to make, but it is no doubt true, as was said by the dairy commissioner of a great state dairy, that if the poorer half of the cows of the state were sold off the dairy profits of the state would be doubled.

If but the better half of the cows were kept the feed consumed by the unprofitable ones would be saved, the work would be halved and the profits from those kept would be more than double those of the herds as now constituted.

The volume of butter and milk production would be decreased, no doubt, if this course were pursued, and the remainder would be kept upon to pay higher prices; but the dairyman would realize his profits, and that should be the object sought in any business.

And the farmer. The dairyman still does not improve his land every year, must be awake nights studying how to keep it from growing more fertile. Selling milk is about the hardest way to use a dairy farm, but he who sells butterfat sells nothing but sunshine for a ton of butter isn't worth a wagon load of stable manure as a fertilizer. They say it is worth about 75 cents.

STORING ROOTS FOR WINTER

Care Must Be Used to Prevent Heating—Should Be Left on Ground Until Thoroughly Dry.

Care must be used in storing roots for winter to prevent heating. But, because put in the cellar damp and with considerable earth on their roots are very apt to heat, and roots of any kind that heat in the bin spoil.

When weather conditions will permit roots should be left on the ground a day or two after pulling to dry out before storing in the cellar. The less earth that goes in the cellar with the roots the better they will keep. Earth fills up the space between the roots and prevents the circulation of air.

When there is danger of the roots freezing in the ground and they have to be hauled in a winter condition, it is best to pile them outside the cellar and cover with straw and manure and leave them there for a week or more to dry out. If the covering is removed from the bin during the day with not freezing they will dry out very fast. This is much easier than to put them in the cellar wet and have to haul them out when they are found to be heating. Roots must be dry when stored to keep through the winter.

TREASURY

Dear Editor as I take your paper thought I would give you a few dollars and a few from our vicinity.

The health of our community is very good at present except Babbet Price who is sick.

Miss Leola Williams and Dora Odum went to War Creek Sunday to meet and report a nice time. They got dinner with Miss Birdie, Hattie and Bessie Cope. I think some of the girls were looking sad. Don't know why.

I am looking for a prosperous time for the next four years of Mr. Wilson's administration, as rabbits are now plentiful, and looking to go higher. Flour is now so high that the poor man can never no more reach a biscuit.

Well, I am very sorry for Mr. G. A. Williams as he made the assertion that if Mr. Hughes was elected that he would kick his phone out of his house. When the first news came in that Mr. Hughes was elected Mr. Williams kept his word and kicked his phone out and tore it all to pieces. But shortly the news came in that Mr. Woodrow was elected then Mr. Williams felt ashamed. Ance says "as Mr. Tom Cantwell is a Democrat and has got to furnish him with another one or he will turn over to the Grand Old Republican Party. I think Tom ought to furnish with one.

Mr. Floyd Greene and [unclear] Court this last week and [unclear] his eyes looking at the automobiles and street cars that he has to wear [unclear].

George Odum, Maria Garrett Greene are trapping muskrats. They are all kahook to gather.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnett Price were visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Williams at this writing.

Robert L. Smith says that if he does not get that girl down at G. A. W's he believes he will go crazy.

Acce Murrell says he expects to remain single till he marries.

Wedding bells are ringing in our burg Mr. Sam Viles and Miss Getty Buttry were married last week. Mr. Dave Day of Treadway and Miss Ella Pilot of Rogersville were married last Wednesday. Rev. Grant Lawson officiated.

Guess Uncle Sam will have plenty of Soldier boys as Mack Odum, Cleve Wilder, Criss Gordon and Ham Winstead started to join him.

Mr. Cleo Trent and Henry Trent were stepping high Sunday don't think they knew whose boys they were.

Cass Odum and Robert L. Smith say they love the girls in our good boys court.

Well will for fear the office eat gets this ring off and if I see this in print come again. Billy

SHOOT DOWN 17 AEROPLANES

Berlin reports success for Germans in Spectacular Air Fights on the Western Front.

Berlin, Nov. 11.—In a series of spectacular air fights on the western front German flyers shot down 17 allied aeroplanes, the war office announced. German aviators during 24 hours carried out numerous raids on allied railway systems, troop and ammunition depots. Attacks on both sides of the Somme were beaten off, the statement said.